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PROM NIGHT SPECTACULAR

A Night in Paris "2009"

By Patricia Wood, 12th Grade

On May 22nd, 2009, University City High School Seniors, alongside some underclassmen, attended one of the last nights of their high school lives. The Junior/Senior Prom took place at the Renaissance Hotel in Philadelphia, and was a huge hit as each student presented a unique style and beauty as they entered the hall.

The night began with picture taking, and warm greetings by other students and faculty members. There was an air of sophistication and a calm happiness that eased its way through the crowd of well-dressed, well-mannered young adults. Ms. Taylor, the woman behind the scenes and person in charge of all of the preparations did an excellent job and should be commended. The night went well and culminated with the presentation of titles of Prom King and Queen, Prince and Princess. Everyone enjoyed themselves. From the "Electric Slide" to slow dancing, the night belonged to the students. All of the students showed that night that they have grown to be elegant ladies and gentlemen.



Tanzin Fatima has done it again!!

By a JT Staff Writer

On April 8th, 2009 Tanzin Fatima drafted an essay on Community Service that has won her yet another accolade. Hosted by the Penn Literacy Network at Penn's Graduate School of Education, the essay contest took entries from all of the West Philadelphia High Schools. Ms Fatima's winning essay was rated as "Best In Class!" The judges were quoted as saying that "(Ms. Fatima's) vision of what comes next, along with what was done, and the well drawn relationships of the two were outstanding." The essays were submitted in a blind order, and judged independently. For her efforts, Ms Fatima is being awarded a huge, "over-the top" graduation party at the Hilton Inn at Penn. There will be prizes, a DJ, food, and giveaways. Ms. Fatima gets to work with professional party planners, and will also receive a \$1000 gift card for books in college.

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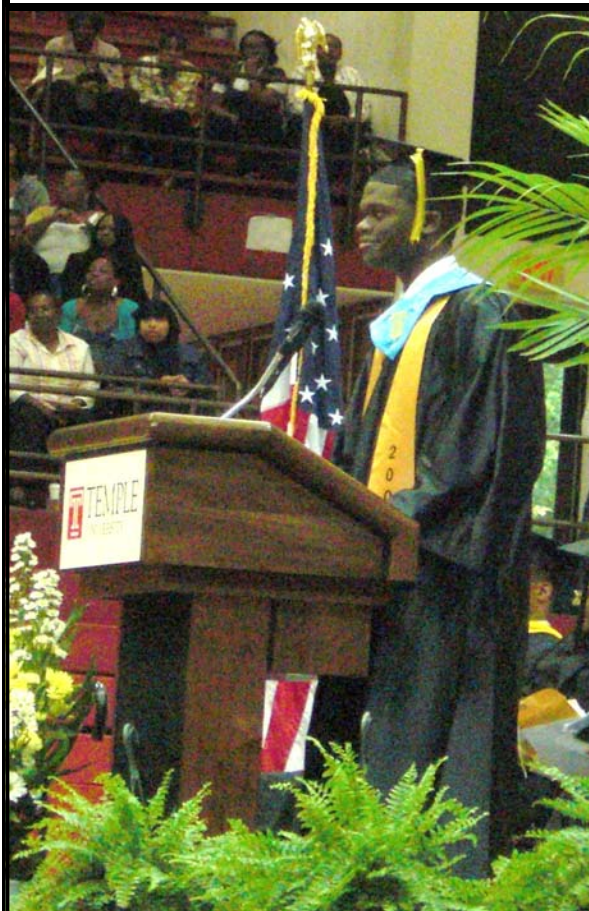
University City High School Graduation Day 2009!!

The University City High School community gathered today to celebrate the achievements of our graduating class for 2009. The students, who can now call themselves graduates, were among the best in Philadelphia. Over half of these fantastic young adults have already been accepted at colleges and other institutions of higher learning. When challenged by Principal Irvin, an additional 50-60 students rose to be recognized as wanting to go to college. There was a palpable spirit of accomplishment and pride in the air.

The family and friends who attended were loud and proud. There was a quiet reverence though, as a moment of silence was held for our recently lost staff members, but most of the celebration was joyful and spontaneous. Held at McGonagall Hall on the Temple University Campus, family members were treated to a rousing serenade of music and song. Our illustrious music director, Mrs. Esther Green blended old classics, our alma mater, and some new flavor with some of the best singing voices available here in our school. She helped to create a lavish arrangement of sound that was moving and memorable.

Speeches were offered by classmates, encouragement was offered by officials, and eventually the smiles of the graduates lit up the room as they paraded in front of our staff to receive their diplomas. Ms. Taylor has once again outdone herself with the preparations, and we all enjoyed seeing our students succeed! Good Luck to the UCHS Class of 2009!!

Samuel Felli Inspires Us!!



FAMILY & FRIENDS SHARE PRIDE & JOY!!



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Student Success Center Corner

STUDENT SUCCESS CENTER

ROOM 201

Supervisor: Ms McMillan

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We would like to thank all of the people who made our year successful here at University City High School. If you helped our students succeed in any way, pat yourself on the back!! Good Luck to all of the graduates, and we cannot wait to see everyone next year!! Have a fantastic summer and enjoy your time off. Come back ready to work in the fall!



“Community Culture In Education” Mural Project Blends Local Flavor with Historical Figures!

If you have passed through the hallway near the main offices during the last few weeks, you have been dazzled by the brilliant display of color, light, and artistry that is quickly becoming our newest mural. What started as a pencil sketch on the working pad of artist Abdul Ahmad has blossomed into a stunning display of a “reflection of African-American Culture that blends local flavor with historical figures. The students should see positive images to inspire them.”

Mr. Ahmad is a visual artist and teacher who is the owner/operator of Progressions Fine Arts Academy in Lansdowne, PA. He is a graduate of Gratz ('73), and also a graduate of the University of Arts (Phila. College of Arts '77). Mr. Ahmad's inspiration to be an artist started when a teacher at Gratz was able to motivate him to attend college.

Assistant Principal Green remembered his work at Turner Middle School and was moved to invite Mr. Ahmad to work on our project. Mr. Ahmad's biggest inspiration with this project is coming here to work with our students. He has been excited about having such a good rate of participation. Over 30 students, referred by our art teachers, have given up their lunch and art periods to work on the mural.

The mural includes images of former UCHS students along side John Coltrane, Bob Marley, President Obama, Maya Angelou, and Dr. Martin Luther King. The vivid images will remain a source of light and enjoyment for the University City High School Community for a long time to come.

Anyone interested in other work by Mr. Ahmad, or to participate in his classes can contact him at his school by email at abduhlahmad28@yahoo.com, or ask Mrs. Green.



ART PROJECT OF THE MONTH:
Colored Pencil on Paper, Spring 2009
Larry Jones, 12th Grade

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**SUPER STAFF MEMBER PROFILE****Ms. Towanda Taylor**

Her loyalty to this school seems unmatched, her drive to see our students succeed is un-paralleled, and we live for her lively and informative announcements over the P.A. system. Ms. Towanda Taylor has graced our halls since starting here in 1992. She loves "hooping and hollerin, but she would do anything for anybody." As an aid to our administrators, Ms Taylor handles the sea of students moving in and out of our building. She also helps to monitor the uniforms being worn to school and runs our after-school detention and suspension

Program. Ms Taylor is also instrumental in organizing our Junior/Senior Proms and other upper-class activities. By helping to manage school discipline, hoody collection and other daily activities, Ms. Taylor is an integral part of our building discipline team. Ms. Taylor's best memory was "when everyone got along" here in the building. To make a better school here, we need to "change the way people think," and her advice to underclassmen for next year is to "come back with the right attitude. Ready to learn and positive. Don't bring the negative!" She looks forward to going back to New Orleans to see Dr. Moore! Stop by Room 115 to say hello!!



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Summer Bridge Program Update!

The whole school is gearing up for summer school and the Department of Labor Summer Bridge Program. Plans are in place to motivate the eighth-graders that are planning to attend our school next fall. We will integrate them early into an atmosphere of hope and encouragement. We hope that the students enjoy our enrichment programs that will include sports, drama, technology, and a program to foster interest in 'Green Thinking.' We hope to promote a positive, learning focused atmosphere that encourages our newest students to become better people and come together as a strong positive force for change in our community. Guiding them to achieve and become successful students here at University City High School will be our number one goal! Mr. Sutton has lead the charge to create this program, but it is through the efforts of many people here that we will be successful. Look for examples of the art, technology, and other projects posted in the halls next year!!



University City
High School
Graduation Day!!
June 18th, 2009!!
Temple University
Congratulations to
all our graduates!!



UNI IRON CHEF?

Who Ever Said That "Cooking Wasn't Cool?"



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Quotes of the Month:

Johann Wolfgang von Goethe:

“Dream no small dreams for they have no power to move the hearts of men.”

Andy McIntyre: “If you think education is expensive, try ignorance!”

Statistic of the Month:

\$74,602 Average annual earnings of workers age 18 and older with an advanced degree. This compares with \$51,206 a year for those with bachelor's degrees, \$27,915 for those with a high school diploma only and \$18,734 for those without a high school diploma.

Joke of the Month:

So, there was this mathematician, physicist, and biologist who went into this building and counted to make sure it was empty, because it was set to be demolished. So they finish up and count and there is nobody inside. They go across the street and wait. After some time, two people enter. A few more minutes pass and three people exit. The physicist says "We must have mis-counted". The biologist says "They must have reproduced when they were in there". The mathematician says "Allright, when one more person enters the building will be empty."



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See Everyone in the Fall!

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